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Internal audit proves TTC has 'a lot of work to do': Councillor

Report. Unauthorized overtime identified as one of the key issues

A former TTC commissioner is pointing to an internal audit of the transit system as proof of how far the agency

must go to restore public confidence and accountability.

The audit took place from January 2010 to June 2011.

It showed that more oversight was needed in the TTC's construction and engineering department, which was handling 135 projects worth about \$260 million in 2010.

The auditor's report found

construction plans were misplaced and unused, in-house consultants needed to be better managed, and overtime was being worked without appropriate approvals.

It also found an employee-rewards program to reduce injuries in the workplace was failing to collect appropriate signatures for gift cards

awarded and was unable to account for about \$10,000 on cake, doughnuts and coffee refreshments for rewards presentations.

Employee absenteeism also needed better oversight, said the audit. One employee was absent eight times in 30 days without a supervisor or manager intervening.

The audit "really is a snapshot of the prehistoric workings of the Toronto Transit Commission," said Coun. Denzil Minnan-Wong, a former TTC commissioner. "The TTC has a lot of work to do to earn the confidence of the public. Whether it's construction contracts or IT administration or overtime

... there is a lot of room for improvement," he said.

Many of the issues identified, including absenteeism, have been addressed since the audit period, Vince Rodo, TTC chief financial and administration officer, told the TTC audit committee Monday.

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Ford wants to unleash his fury on the Liberals

Toronto's mayor is vowing to destroy Premier McGuinty's chances of having a majority in the legislature by working to defeat the Liberal candidate in an upcoming byelection PAGE 6

Can Black come back?

Ex-media mogul Conrad Black is due to be released from prison on Friday, but lawyers say it would be very difficult for him to move back to Canada PAGE 8



A HULKING RESEMBLANCE

Mark Ruffalo is seen on the red carpet at the Toronto advance premiere of *The Avengers*. Ruffalo, who plays the Hulk, and Cobie Smulders, who plays agent Maria Hill, attended the premiere at the Scotiabank Theatre at Richmond and John streets Monday night. For more *Avengers* coverage, see page 19. RICHARD LAUTENS/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Higher city surplus baffles some councillors

City hall. Council has already voted to use 75% of surplus funds from 2011 towards purchasing new streetcars, and 25% to replace depleted reserve funds

Toronto's newly announced surplus of \$292.7 million left over from last year has some councillors scratching their heads.

Just a few months ago when

Recent surpluses

- **2006:** \$93.6-million surplus, which was set aside for capital expenses.
- **2007:** \$95-million surplus. It was allocated to the 2008 operating budget.
- **2008:** \$88-million surplus, of which \$74 million was allocated to the 2009 operating budget.
- **2009:** \$354.8-million surplus, of which \$276.5 million was plugged into the 2010 operating budget and \$78 million was set aside for future years.
- **2010:** \$367 million, of which \$268 million went into the 2011 budget along with the \$78-million remaining surplus from 2009.

the budget was set, the surplus was estimated at \$154 million,

of which \$83 million was allocated to this year's operating

budget.

Had councillors known the actual figure would be almost double, they would have had more flexibility to stave off cuts to services, said Coun. Sarah Doucette.

"As a new councillor, I'm a little concerned about the drastic cuts we were asked to make when someone must have known we were going to have a sizeable surplus," Doucette said. "We should have a better handle on it."

Surplus figures released late Monday show higher revenues from the land-transfer tax (\$99

million), reduced a backlog in property-tax assessments (\$31 million), investment earnings (\$22 million), TTC ridership growth (\$19 million) and reduced debt service costs (\$21 million). In all, higher revenues accounted for \$198 million of the surplus.

A slowdown in hiring netted \$80 million in savings and other "cost containment" delivered the rest, says the report, accounting for city spending to last Dec. 31. That forecast, to Sept. 30, estimated a \$154 million surplus.

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Health. Board seeking \$180K for bedbug fight

The Toronto board of health wants to take a tiny bite out of the city's \$292-million surplus to fight the bedbug crisis that has walls in some infested apartments "alive" with the crawling bloodsuckers.

The board on Monday unanimously passed chair John Filion's motion asking the budget committee for \$180,000 to fund "extreme cleaning and preparation" of severely infested homes of "vulnerable" individuals.

"It's a drop in the bucket" compared to the need, Filion said, but the city, flush with some newfound cash, must show Premier Dalton McGuinty's government that it will put its money where its mouth is.

City council has so far failed

to convince the cash-strapped province to renew \$1.2 million in funding that enabled the city to set up a 10-member team that has started to have a small impact on the scourge.

The funding expired March 31, and with it went six public health inspector positions and a manager who worked with three still-funded public health nurses as an "integrated response team."

Dr. David McKeown, Toronto's medical officer of health, told the board the team helped 181 vulnerable people with infestations from May 1, 2011, to March 31. This year, the city will be able to help only 30.

In those 11 months, the team identified bedbugs in almost 1,300 units.

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Elephants. Sanctuary, zoo in stalemate over transfer

The Toronto Zoo says it is at an "impasse" with the California sanctuary that is supposed to be accepting three female elephants from here.

Reacting to a Saturday story in the Toronto Star that suggested the zoo is stalling or trying to block the transfer of three aging female elephants to the PAWS sanctuary, the zoo issued a release Monday evening accusing the sanctuary of refusing to hand over medical records for the eight elephants it has at its site.

"Without this information zoo management is unable to fulfill its due diligence," the release says.

However, Julie Woodyer, working on behalf of PAWS in Toronto, said she has been trying to get zoo CEO John Tracogna to examine the legally

required medical records for the sanctuary elephants at his convenience for over a month — without success.

In order to protect institutions that have donated elephants to PAWS, a legal agreement signed by PAWS and the zoo stipulates that the sanctuary must make the relevant health records available to the CEO, or his representative, for inspection.

Woodyer said she hand-delivered all other required documents to Tracogna.

City Coun. Michelle Berardinetti, a key player on the elephant transfer, told the Star Monday she will present the medical records for Tracogna's inspection at a specially called meeting for Wednesday.

"If that's what it takes, I'll do it," she said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Charles, Camilla T.O.-bound



Prince Charles arrives on Yonge Street before taking part in the Canadian Business for Social Responsibility event on Nov. 4, 2009 in Toronto. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Itinerary

On Monday, details emerged about the upcoming royal visit by Prince Charles and his wife Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall. They will visit Toronto, New Brunswick and Saskatchewan as part of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

- The Prince and Duchess will start their Toronto trip by meeting with emergency services workers and their families before watching the Victoria Day fireworks over Lake Ontario on Monday, May 21.
- After an expected slumber at the Fairmont Royal York, Charles and Camilla have a packed agenda for Tuesday. They will meet with the national leadership of the Assembly of First Nations, and later, Camilla will visit the Queen's Own Rifles. In the afternoon, Prince Charles will spend some time touring the Yonge Street Mission and UforChange, as part of the Prince's Charities "Seeing is Believing" program.
- The couple will also tour the site of the Athletes' Village in the West Don Lands for the 2015 Pan/Parapan American Games and participate in a military event at the Fort York Armoury to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812.
- The chance for Torontonians to see the couple will be at Queen's Park, though a precise time has not been announced.

Unimpressed

"I'm more interested in Canadian families than the Royal Family, and a lot of Canadian families got a pink slip today along with a bread-and-circuses announcement of yet another royal visit."

NDP MP Pat Martin, who was less than pleased with the announcement, especially since it came on the same day that public service unions revealed more upcoming job cuts for federal employees.

Return visitors

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This will be Camilla's second visit to Canada and the 16th for Prince Charles. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Withdrawal after leaving the womb

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Mobile news



A Sikh advocacy group has launched a free mobile application that allows travellers to complain immediately to the government about unfair treatment by airport-security screeners. Scan the code for the story.

Officer on trial. Accused of obstructing justice

A Toronto police officer allegedly conducted a sham kidnapping investigation to protect those he suspected were involved, an Ontario Superior Court jury has heard.

Prosecutors opened their case Monday against Toronto police Const. Ioan-Florin (John) Floria, who has pleaded not guilty to six charges, including breach of trust, accessory after the fact to kidnapping, attempt to obstruct justice and money laundering.

Several of the charges stem from the actions or "inactions" of the veteran Toronto police officer in relation to two unrelated kidnappings, Crown attorney James Palangio told jurors.

The first alleged kidnapping happened Nov. 16, 2005. The victim, Simion Ternar, was working at a marijuana grow-op tending plants when he was kidnapped leaving a gym in Toronto's east end. He was tortured for 24 hours and released after a \$200,000 ransom was paid.

Ternar contacted Floria, who was from the same hometown in Romania, Palangio said.

The Crown alleges Floria, who joined the Toronto Police Service in 1998, told Ternar not to report the crime nor seek medical attention because the police might be involved. He also

Allegation

\$50,000

The Crown also alleges Floria laundered \$50,000 US for a friend that he knew came from the drug trade.

misleadingly told Ternar he would conduct an investigation into the kidnapping, Palangio said.

At some point, Floria asked Ternar if he thought Stefan Karpacs was involved. Ternar said no, though he was aware he was the head of a criminal organization and a close friend of the officer's, the prosecutor said.

"At a minimum he should have suspected and perhaps even known his friends were involved," said Palangio, adding Floria derailed the investigation out of a "sense of loyalty."

A year later, Ternar contacted a lawyer, who instructed him to go to the Toronto Police professional standards office and report what happened, the Crown attorney said.

The kidnapping remains unsolved.

Floria, who worked in 21 and 22 divisions before traffic services, was charged in July 2007.

The trial continues Tuesday.

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Struggle with police

Cause of teen death sought

A jury will make determinations based on evidence and testimony heard over the 19-day inquest into the death of Junior Alexander Manon, 18, who died in a struggle with police on May 5, 2010. An SIU investigation cleared both officers of criminal wrongdoing.

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Catholic school trustee

Gay-straight club motion withdrawn

A Waterloo Catholic school trustee has agreed to drop a controversial proposal to let high school students have gay-straight clubs that let them discuss gender identity and sexual attraction — topics deemed largely off-limits by new Catholic provincial guidelines.

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Former drug squad leader denies charges

Corruption trial. One-time detective addresses accusations in detail for first time

John Schertzer, the man who led a small group of drug squad detectives accused of theft, extortion and attempting to obstruct justice, took the witness stand at his trial Monday to deny all the charges against him.

It was the first time the former detective has spoken in detail about the charges he and four former fellow officers have faced for eight years.

Schertzer headed Central Field Command drug squad, which investigated street- and mid-level narcotics dealing in Toronto's core.

Dressed in a blue suit and tie over a crisp white shirt, he spoke in a soft voice.

Earlier Monday, Ontario Superior Court Justice Gladys Pardu directed that an acquittal be registered on five of 14 counts the officers face.

Schertzer, 54; Steven Correia, 45; Raymond Pollard, 48; Joseph Miched, 53; and Ned Maodus, 49, face various

Also heard at the trial

- Montreal stripper Aida Fagundo testified via video link that Schertzer's team robbed her of \$20,000 earrings and \$10,000 cash, as well as beating and fondling her.
- Cocaine dealer Andy Ioakim, 55, claimed Schertzer's team stole drugs and more than \$100,000 from his home.

charges laid in 2004, including attempting to obstruct justice, assault perjury and extortion between 1997 and 2002.

Earlier in the trial, former marijuana dealer Christopher Quigley, 46, alleged an angry Schertzer hit him in the face with an open hand in 1998, demanding where he kept his drugs and money, before two other officers beat him over several hours.

He claimed Schertzer and Correia then seized \$54,000 from Quigley's mother's bank safety deposit box, but only returned \$22,850.

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John Schertzer leaves the courthouse at 361 University after taking the stand in his defence at the police corruption trial on Monday. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Tax agency serves 'red notice' on fraud trial fugitive

Quoted

"We are not close to finding her. This is a woman who is going to stay under the radar. She is a woman of means."

Connie Zary, one of two prosecutors representing the tax agency who warned the judge it could take a long time for police to find the fugitive overseas and extradition proceedings could delay her return by years

flight to London's Heathrow Airport late March 16, only hours after proceedings at the outset of her trial had ended in Newmarket.

Hilary Cummings, the

agency's lead investigator in the case, added in the affidavit it has submitted a "red notice" application through the RCMP to Interpol in Ottawa for Tennina's arrest and extradition.

Interpol, which is based in France, did not respond to a request for information on whether Tennina would soon appear on the force's international "most wanted" list.

Prosecutors pressed again for the immediate resumption of the trial despite Tennina's absence but Justice Cory Gilmore of the Ontario Superior Court said she would allow police another seven weeks to apprehend and return her.

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MPP Witmer resigns. Grits eyeing majority?

The Liberals appointed veteran Progressive Conservative Elizabeth Witmer to the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board in the hope of winning the one seat they need to form a majority, the NDP charged Monday.

Witmer announced Friday that she was leaving politics to accept the WSIB job. The timing was right for her personally, she said Monday.

"At any time anything can happen in politics, and my decision was based on where I am in my life and my career," she said.

NDP Leader Andrea Horwath said the hope of winning Witmer's seat is what prompted the Liberals to lure Witmer

Getting out the vote

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The province has up to six months to schedule the Kitchener-Waterloo byelection, but the Liberals suggested they would not wait long. "I always like them sooner rather than later," campaign co-chairman Greg Sorbara said.

with the WSIB job.

"It used to be that the Liberals didn't have the same vision as Liz Witmer ... when it comes to the WSIB, so that begs the question, exactly why was Liz Witmer chosen for this particular appointment?"

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ouch

Electricity rates set to rise

Ontarians will start paying more for electricity on Tuesday. A typical household using 800 kilowatt hours a month will see their bill rise by nearly \$6, while consumers using smart meters will see an increase of about \$4. THE CANADIAN PRESS

'Cut the Waist'

Mayor two pounds lighter

Ford weighed in at 310 lb on Monday, down from 312 lb in mid-April and 330 lb in January when he launched his "Cut the Waist Challenge." Ford's goal was to lose 50 pounds by mid-June. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Ford vows to squash Liberals in Kitchener-Waterloo



Mayor Rob Ford, shown during his debut on Newstalk 1010 in February, says he plans to work to defeat the provincial Liberals in a Kitchener-Waterloo byelection. RICK MADONIK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

Provincial byelection.

Toronto mayor says he'll do everything in his power to shut out Liberals

Mayor Rob Ford says he will work to defeat the Liberal candidate in the provincial byelection in Kitchener-Waterloo.

Ford, a Conservative supporter, threatened last year to unleash "Ford Nation" on Dalton McGuinty if the Ontario premier did not accept his request for more funding for the city. On his Talk 1010 radio show on Sunday, Ford was far more partisan.

Not his decision

"In the upcoming byelection, the people of Kitchener-Waterloo will decide who represents them at Queen's Park, not Rob Ford."

Liberal Eric Davis, who lost to departing PC MPP Elizabeth Witmer in 2011

"There is going to be a byelection out in Kitchener-Waterloo, and I'm going to do everything in my power to make sure a certain party does not win so they don't get a majority government," he said. "We cannot let the Liberals run this province like they are. (They're) giving us very little respect. I like Dalton as a person, very nice person, but let me ask you guys — what has the provincial government done for us?"

Coun. Shelley Carroll, a Ford opponent, called the comments "wildly inappropriate."

"I think he should run the city. He's got the busiest job in the country. He should do it," Carroll said Monday. "Get on with your job. The one we pay you for."

Ford also criticized McGuinty for abiding by council's decision to build light-rail transit rather than the subways Ford prefers. Though council voted 25-18 in favour of light rail, Ford said McGuinty was listening to a mere "fraction" of council.

Ford did not endorse a party in the 2011 provincial election. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Horror films. Art is not a crime, says accused filmmaker

A Quebec special-effects artist charged with corrupting morals will have to wait until the end of the year to go to trial.

Remy Couture, 34, has been awaiting trial on three charges stemming from short horror films he created about an imaginary mass killer.

He says that even if some people might consider his work to be too gory, that doesn't make it illegal.

He says the state has no business determining what qualifies as art and what doesn't.

Couture and his lawyers say the case is believed to be the first time such a charge has been laid against works related to the horror industry.

He has pleaded not guilty to three charges of moral corruption and distributing obscene material.

A jury trial was scheduled on Monday for December — more than three years after his arrest around Halloween 2009.

Even though it has cost him tens of thousands in legal fees, Couture says his fight — to prove that art is not a crime — is more important than money.



Remy Couture's trial will take place three years after his arrest.
GRAHAM HUGHES/THE CANADIAN PRESS

The freelance special-effects artist says the short films, posted on his website, had warnings about content.

As with any artist, Couture says he's always trying to push the limits of his craft.

It's that drive to disgust audiences has landed him in trouble with law enforcement.

The material relating to his charges includes a pair of short films and some photos depicting an imaginary psychopathic masked killer of Couture's making.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Federal cuts. Thousands more civil servants told their jobs 'at risk'

Another 3,800 civil servants were told Monday that their jobs are on the line.

Parks Canada took the biggest hit in the government's third wave of notifications, with over 1,000 people told their jobs are at risk. More than 600 positions will be eliminated. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cuts for savings

"Executives throughout government will receive hefty bonuses for doing these cuts."

Christine Collins of the Union of Canadian Transportation Employees.



Former media mogul Conrad Black arrives at federal court in Chicago in 2011. Now he's due to be released Friday. CHARLES REX AROBASGT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Black faces legal fight to return

Conrad Black.

Disgraced media tycoon renounced his citizenship in 2001 to become a Lord — he will find it no easy feat to reclaim his passport

Immigration lawyers say Conrad Black faces yet another long legal battle if he hopes to return to Canada.

'Netherworld'

"The reality is this whole case, from an immigration and citizenship perspective, is operating in kind of a netherworld. I don't think anyone knows exactly what to expect." Immigration lawyer Joel Sandaluk about Black's chances.

The disgraced former media baron, who renounced his Canadian citizenship to become a British lord, is due to be released Friday after serving three and a half years

in prison.

Black has suggested he would like to reclaim his citizenship, but immigration lawyers say that would be no easy feat.

Black's fraud and obstruction of justice convictions make him inadmissible for permanent residency in Canada, despite the fact he's married to a Canadian citizen, Barbara Amiel.

They say Black's only hope is a temporary residency permit, which is permission from the immigration minister.

A recent Supreme Court ruling says Black would require such a permit to come back. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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U.S. seeks asylum deal for blind Chinese activist

Talks. U.S., China look for resolution ahead of Clinton visit for talks on broader themes

U.S. and Chinese officials are ironing out a deal to secure American asylum for a blind Chinese legal activist who fled house arrest, with an agreement likely coming before Secretary of State Hillary Clinton arrives this week, a U.S. rights campaigner said Monday.

Bob Fu of the Texas-based rights group ChinaAid said that China and the U.S. want to reach agreement on the fate of Chen Guangcheng before the annual high-level talks with Clinton and other U.S. officials begin in Beijing on Thursday.

"The Chinese top leaders are deliberating a decision to be made very soon, maybe in the next 24 to 48 hours," Fu said, citing a source close to the U.S. and Chinese governments. Both sides are "eager to solve this issue," said Fu, a former teacher at a Communist Party

Politics

The Obama administration is facing political pressure.

- Obama is already under fire from Republicans over a case in which an aide to a senior Chinese leader entered the U.S. Consulate in Chendgu but then left, turning himself over to Chinese investigators.

academy in Beijing whose advocacy group focuses on the rights of Christians in China and who maintains a network of contacts in the country.

"It really depends on China's willingness to facilitate Chen's exit," Fu said.

Chen, a well-known dissident who angered authorities in rural China by exposing forced abortions, made a surprise escape from house arrest a week ago into what activists say is the protection of U.S. diplomats in Beijing, posing a delicate diplomatic crisis for both governments. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Chen Guangcheng shown in a village of China, where he is known for his human rights campaigns. SUPPORTERS OF CHEN GUANGCHENG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Replica. Billionaire to build high-tech Titanic II

An Australian billionaire said Monday he'll build a high-tech replica of the Titanic at a Chinese shipyard and its maiden voyage in late 2016 will be from England to New York, just like its namesake planned.

Weeks after the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the original Titanic, Clive Palmer announced that he had signed a memorandum of understanding with state-owned Chinese company CSC Jinling Shipyard to build the Titanic II.

"It will be every bit as luxurious as the original Titanic, but ... will have state-of-the-art 21st-century technology and the latest navigation and safety systems," Palmer



Australian billionaire Clive Palmer
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said in a statement. He called the project "a tribute to the spirit of the men and women who worked on the original Titanic." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Nigeria. Motorcycle suicide bomber drives into police convoy

A motorcycle-riding suicide bomber drove into a convoy carrying a top police official in northeast Nigeria on Monday, detonating his explosives and killing at least 10 people, rescue officials said.

The attack targeted police commissioner Mamman Sule, who was being driven in a convoy toward his offices near the governor's office in Jalingo, the capital of Taraba state. The bomber missed injuring Sule.

Earlier attacks

- Gunmen attacked Christian worship services Sunday at a university campus and a church in northern Nigeria, killing 21 people.

but the explosives caused massive damage at a roadside market. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



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No support for Uganda rebel Kony, says Sudan

Joseph Kony. Uganda claims the rebel leader is supported by Sudan and the country even supplied them with new uniforms

Ugandan officials are renewing a claim made with some frequency over the years. They say that rebel leader Joseph Kony and his Lord's Resistance Army are receiving backing from the government of Sudan.

Ugandan forces commander Gen. Aronda Nyakairima said Monday he found credible a recent report from a captured LRA fighter saying that Kony was recently in the southern region of Sudan.

Col. Felix Kulayigye, the military's spokesman, said some of the LRA rebels captured by the Ugandan military wore "new uniforms" supplied by Sudan, though Nyakairima said military officials have not found LRA fighters with weapons sup-

Powder keg

Abdulla Ali Masar, Sudan's information minister, denied his government has ever supported the LRA.

- "We have no relationship, whatsoever, with this Ugandan rebel and we have not supported and are not supporting him now," Masar said.
- The accusations by Uganda that Sudan is aiding Kony come as the threat of war between Sudan and South Sudan has increased. The two sides have launched multiple cross-border attacks and Sudan has launched airstrikes in recent weeks.

plied by Sudan.

President Barack Obama sent 100 U.S. forces into Central Africa last year to help regional militaries track Kony. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Suu Kyi to enter parliament

Myanmar pro-democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi waves to merry-makers from the gate of her home earlier in April. Suu Kyi and other lawmakers in her opposition party will attend Myanmar's parliament for the oath of office on Wednesday. **KHIN MAUNG WIN/AP PHOTO**

Long-serving Democrat

Kerry to work for Obama, may replace Hillary Clinton?

John Kerry, the Democratic senator who lost to George W. Bush in the 2004 presidential election, has been tapped to become President Barack Obama's top surrogate as the 2012 campaign gets underway. Kerry's foreign policy gravitas makes him a

natural to promote Obama's message on those issues, but some speculate there could be something else at play — Kerry could become secretary of state in a second Obama term if Hillary Clinton makes good on suggestions she might leave the post.

Some feel Clinton will serve only one term in the highly demanding role of secretary of state.

Kerry is Democratic chairman of the U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relations.

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Senator John Kerry for secretary of state after Clinton?
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'Time for reflection'

Anniversary of bin Laden's death

U.S. President Barack Obama says the anniversary of the death of Osama bin Laden is a time for reflection, and he pushed back on criticism that he was using the occasion for "excessive celebration." Obama also asked if Mitt Romney would have made the same decision in targeting the al-Qaida leader.

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Banks got billions during financial crisis: Think-tank

Federal funds. Ottawa maintains Canada's banks did not require a bailout during the 2008-09 economic crash

Canada's big banks received billions in support from the federal government and the Bank of Canada during the 2008-09 financial crisis, a report by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives says.

"While these funds were repaid in full, it is clear that the banks benefited enormously

from public financing when private funds were unavailable," wrote David Macdonald, author of the report released Monday. "In addition, had the rapid and enormous deployment of public funds not been available, most, if not all, Canadian banks would have encountered serious difficulty."

The left-leaning think-tank estimated the country's largest financial institutions borrowed nearly \$75 billion in short-term collateralized loans from the Bank of Canada and the U.S. Federal Reserve, peaking at \$41 billion and \$33 billion respectively.

The banks also sold a total

of some \$69 billion worth of insured mortgage-backed securities to the government, the report estimated. The Centre for Policy Alternatives based its report on information provided by Canadian public institutions and analysis of the banks' financial reports.

The report noted that much of its work was based on estimates because the federal government and the Bank of Canada have refused requests for a detailed accounting.

"A healthy financial system cannot be based on massive government support for which the details remain secret," the report said. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Microsoft gets ebook Nook

Books and bits united Monday as Microsoft provided \$300 million US to help Barnes & Noble — which sells Nook e-book readers such as the Nook Color e-reader, pictured above on display at a Best Buy in Mountain View, Calif., on Monday — compete with top electronic bookseller Amazon. In exchange, Microsoft gets a long-desired foothold in the business of ebooks and college textbooks. The two companies are teaming up to create a subsidiary for Barnes & Noble's ebook and college-textbook businesses, with Microsoft taking a 17.6 per cent stake. Microsoft also said the deal means that there will be a Nook application for Windows 8 tablets, set to be released this fall. The app is likely to get a favoured position on Windows 8 screens. **PAUL SAKUMA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

StatsCan

Canadian GDP falls in weak February

The Canadian economy unexpectedly shrank in February due to a slowdown in the mining and manufacturing sectors, dampening expectations that the Bank of Canada will raise interest rates soon.

Statistics Canada reported Monday that the country's gross domestic product declined by 0.2 per cent from January. Economists had been expecting growth of 0.2 per cent. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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of "travelling"; I'm talking about real globe-trotting.

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You really don't know if you're going to be good together forever until you've seen each other at your worst. This usually happens after 18 hours in transit or in a cockroach-infested hostel in South East Asia. So taking your relations on the road — whether by car, bus, train, plane, or boat — can be an excellent compatibility test.

Being together for an extended period of time requires a whole new level of intimacy. Bad habits are exposed and there's no hiding your true colours from one another. You will discover all of your sweetie's idiosyncrasies (over-packing, tardiness, disorganization, bad hygiene), and your patience will be tested to the very edge.

You'll quickly learn that there is such a thing as "too much time together." You will get on each other's nerves and there won't be anywhere to escape to. A couple of years ago I went on a three-week European vacation with my boyfriend. During that trip, I often found myself hiding out in the bathroom just so I could have some proper alone time.

The most important thing you should pack on any trip together — other than your passport — is a sense of humour. There will be times when you'll feel overwhelmingly hungry or sick, or tired. Things will go wrong — you'll miss a train, lose your Visa card, eat questionable seafood, break your camera — and you will have to keep going.

The most important thing for couples to remember is that you will fight; it is inevitable and unavoidable. Eventually, those "we'll laugh about this later" incidents will get to you and you'll reach your breaking point. You'll scream, cry and have a miserable sort of breakdown that makes you look like a complete crazy person.

Here's the thing: if you do all of that and your partner STILL wants to sit next to you on the plane ride home, well then, you know it's meant to last.

Honeybees start buzzing



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Bee yourself

State of honeybees up in the air

A bee works on collecting nectar from a fruit tree in West Bath, Maine, Monday. A state bee expert says conditions are perfect for another honeybee die-off, after a mild winter and unseasonably warm early spring have created conditions reminiscent of 2010, when an explosion in the mite populations killed off many colonies.

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On Canadian soil

Population has depleted recently

The health of the bee population in Canada has been a concern in recent years due to the infestation of mites. In the last seven years or so, the over-winter loss rate of hives has fluctuated between 20 and 30 per cent. Prior to that, it was generally five to a maximum of 15 per cent. There is also a worry the mites will become resistant to the products used to treat them.

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So far, so good

- This year in Canada is so far, so good. Although it's still early in the season, anecdotal reports from beekeepers and provincial apiarists across the country indicate this spring the survival rate for bees in Canada seems to be fairly good.
- It could be because beekeepers are addressing the mite problem better than they have in the past and it could be a function of the mild winter across much of the nation.

On the map

5th

Canada is the fifth-largest honey producer in the world, with about 7,000 beekeepers operating a total of 600,000 honeybee colonies, says Rod Scarlett, executive director of the Canadian Honey Council, based in Sherwood Park, Alta.



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"For years, I suffered from unbearable stiffness and swelling in my hands"

"How I BEAT The Pain That Almost Ended My Career!"

By Jaudon Sunde
Medical Cosmetic Technician

For nine long years, I lived in sheer agony. I suffered from inflammation and horrible stiffness in my hands. Unless you've experienced it for yourself, you can't imagine how bad the pain really is. It nearly crippled me and almost ended my career.

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So naturally, I tried just about every pain remedy and topical cream on the market. Nothing worked. The pain was getting worse and worse.

So for all these years, I got by on a steady regimen of over-the-counter pills. The pain in my hands got so bad that I started taking pain relievers 2-3 times a day. And still my agony persisted.

I was faced with a dreadful choice: Either have the painful surgery on my hands and be laid up for months...or cut my workload in half. I was between a rock and a hard place.

I couldn't afford to do either. I had to find a better way to get real relief.

Then one day at dinner a friend of mine told me that inflammation is worse than I thought. "It's called the 'secret killer,' and for good reason," he said. "Left alone, it can ravage your arteries, chew up nerve cells in your brain, and lead to all kinds of age-related ailments.

"The good news is that researchers at the University of Arizona have now confirmed that the Nopal cactus — found in the Sonoran Desert in the southwest U.S. — has tremendous power. It can help fight off harmful inflammation without risky drugs. And it can help reduce the pain caused by inflammation.

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In just 5-6 days, an amazing thing happened. I started to feel much better. My stiffness loosened up and I moved around better than I had in years with no pain.

I was overjoyed! The inflammation in my hands showed dramatic improvement. I kept taking 3 ounces of **Nopalea twice a day and after about 30 days, I could perform my duties 95% pain free!**

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Jaudon Sunde, Micropigmentation Specialist, says that "Nopalea has been a life-saver in every sense of the word."**

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Beauty and the Bond film

Despite being a serial womanizer, 007 is actually more particular about his women than his martinis. In order to share the screen and the sheets with the suave secret agent there are stiff prerequisites: 1) Possess a rocking body worthy of a triple-take 2) Pull off a name dripping with giggly double entendres. 3) Point two can be overlooked provided the answer to one is "complete knockout." We reminisce and catch up a little with five of James' ex gal-pals.

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Famke Janssen

Age: 46
Bond girl name:
Xenia Onatopp
Movie: GoldenEye

Onatopp first gets Pierce Bronson's motor sputtering when he sees her burning rubber in a Ferrari 355 GTS. While the ex-KGB agent's predilection for street racing and baccarat intrigue Bond, when he finds out crushing men to death with her thighs whilst making love is also a hobby of hers he draws the line.

Flirt Spurt: Onatopp — "You don't need the gun ... Commander." Bond — "That depends on your definition of safe sex."

Post Bond: Her turn as Jean Grey in the X-Men flicks is what the Danish actress is now best known for. This fall she'll reprise her role as Liam Neeson's wife in Taken 2.



Carey Lowell

Age: 51
Bond girl name:
Pam Bouvier
Movie: License to Kill

An ex-army pilot turned CIA informant, this statuesque looker can handle herself in hairy situations often outshining Timothy Dalton in the taking care of bad guys business. In the documentary Bond Girls Are Forever Lowell shared that Dalton provided detailed instructions on how she should lock lips with him.

Flirt Spurt: "If it weren't for me your ass would've been nailed to the wall!"

Post Bond: Played assistant district attorney Jamie Ross on Law & Order and on the short lived spinoff Trial By Jury. She tied the knot with hubby Richard Gere in 2002.



Jane Seymour

Age: 61
Bond girl name:
Solitaire
Movie: Live and Let Die

The smart and saucy British bombshell helped ease Roger Moore into his role as the dashing MI6 operative. Moore slyly ups the odds of getting with this sexy psychic by stacking her tarot deck with lovers cards. While Bond's caddish behaviour and games of deceit can sometimes paint women as naive, Solitaire herself was a card shark, getting James to draw the fool in their first encounter. So just maybe she played him just as much as he played her.

Flirt Spurt: "Pick a card."

Post Bond: Starred in Dr. Quinn Medicine Woman in the 1990s and played the randy mom in Wedding Crashers



Diana Rigg

Age: 73
Bond girl name:
Tracy di Vincenzo
Movie: On Her Majesty's Secret Service

Convincing a perpetual playboy to stick around for breakfast after a roll in the hay takes some doing, throw in an engagement ring and you know this must be love. Taming George Lazenby was a plot point made more believable to audiences as Rigg already dwarfed the one-movie Bond for spy-cred, having played Emma Peel on The Avengers. Being one of the first Bond girls with a name that didn't elicit schoolboy snickers also surely helped matters.

Flirt spurt: "Why do you persist in trying to rescue me, Mr. Bond?"

Post Bond: Won a Tony for playing the title character in Medea and hosted Masterpiece Mystery from 1989-2004.



Ursula Andress

Age: 76
Bond girl name:
Honey Rider
Movie: Dr. No

They say you never forget your first love. Well your first extended movie ogle also belongs in the top drawer of the mental filing cabinet. Honey Ryder's white bikini clad entrance remains the fifty-year old franchise's most iconic scene. It's also a testament to the magic of movies as her Swiss-German accent was so thick her lines had to be dubbed. Andress' sexy sea to shore saunter was later paid homage to by Halle Berry in Die Another Day and Daniel Craig in Casino Royale.

Flirt spurt: Honey — "What are you doing here? Looking for shells?" Bond — "No, I'm just looking."

Post Bond: Played Aphrodite in Clash of the Titans.

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Scene in brief

Racing to measure the heavens

On June 5 or 6, depending on the time zone, millions of people around the globe will watch Venus glide across the sun in a rare celestial event that won't happen again until 2117. The Transit of Venus was the key to unlocking the distance between Earth and the sun — and by extension, the size of our solar system. The strenuous efforts of 18th-century astronomers to measure the exact time and duration of this singular event represent one of the most thrilling chapters in the history of science. British design historian Andrea Wulf has written an absorbing account of their expeditions to do so in 1761 and 1769. Check out Chasing Venus: The Race to Measure the Heavens.

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Nikolaj Coster-Waldau stars in *Headhunters*, which opens Friday. HANDOUT**Game of Thrones**

Your character Jamie 'The Kingslayer' Lannister has been away from his beloved Queen Cersei, locked away as a prisoner of war. Do you get more demanding scenes than sitting inside a cage this season?

- "Yeah later on, finally. Yeah. Well, I can't tell you anything else. Then they will put me in chains."

Actor has a sweet side (it involves cupcakes)

Nikolaj Coster-Waldau. Actor is a softie, even if he plays seriously bad dudes in his latest gigs

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Nikolaj Coster-Waldau understands the art of the badass. The Danish actor can currently be seen in the role of Jaime 'The Kingslayer' Lannister, a knight on HBO's fantasy-drama *Game of Thrones*, and as Clas Greve, a former mercenary who specializes in tracking — aka killing — people, in the Norwegian film *Headhunters*, which opens Friday.

But as readily as the actor is willing to face down a man-eating direwolf, he's just as likely to show his sensitive side — or at least his good humour.

You're known for some pretty tough characters. Do you actively go after these roles?

No, no, not at all. It was just one of those things — (*Game of Thrones* and *Headhunters*) happened to come at the same time. Jaime is tough, a soldier, but he's not a psychopath.

I think Clas is borderline psychopathic. He will do anything; he has a disturbing lack of morals.

And Jaime has strong morals. We might not share his morals, but he has really strong morality.

Both are a lot of fun to play, I have to say.

What do you enjoy the most about playing these guys?

Well, a guy like Clas, he doesn't follow the rules. I guess it's also one of the reasons why it's fun to watch these characters. Most of us — I mean, I know myself, anyway, I'm a law-abiding citizen. If a police guy comes and tells me to stop, I'll stop and I'll be very polite.

When you finally get to see someone who just breaks the rules, it can be liberating.

Do you actually have a hidden sensitive side that we don't see on-camera? Like you foster kittens or bake cookies?

Cupcakes. All the time. You wouldn't believe. Masterful

cupcakes, beautiful, a lot of pink. (Laughs.)

No, I mean, I think I have normal sensitivities. No kittens right now.

Love, and lack of it, is a topic explored in the film. Did Clas ever love anything?

I think he has been in love with himself for a long time.

What's happened in his life (as a mercenary) is of such a nature that he has lost a lot of that part of the human experience, unfortunately.

How do you play someone who is so cut off from such a deep emotion?

You try to find what you can identify with. He is very driven, he's very charming, he's very confident. When he gets into the chase (tracking the film's protagonist), he becomes this maniac.

You just imagine what it would be like, and try to make it as believable as possible.

I didn't go through like, months of method acting to get there. That would have been weird. (Laughs.)

Jaime, too, might be in love with himself. What is his definition of love? It's certainly an odd one, considering his incestuous relationship with his sister, Queen Cersei.

It's very complicated. I think there's a lot of self-hatred with him.

When he says, "the things I do for love" (and then pushes a child out a window), he knows it's just horrible, but he'd never give anyone the satisfaction of saying, "Oh my God, I'm so sorry," because it's his actions.

He did it. But he truly loves his sister. He loves his family. I think early on in their lives he was almost obsessed with her.

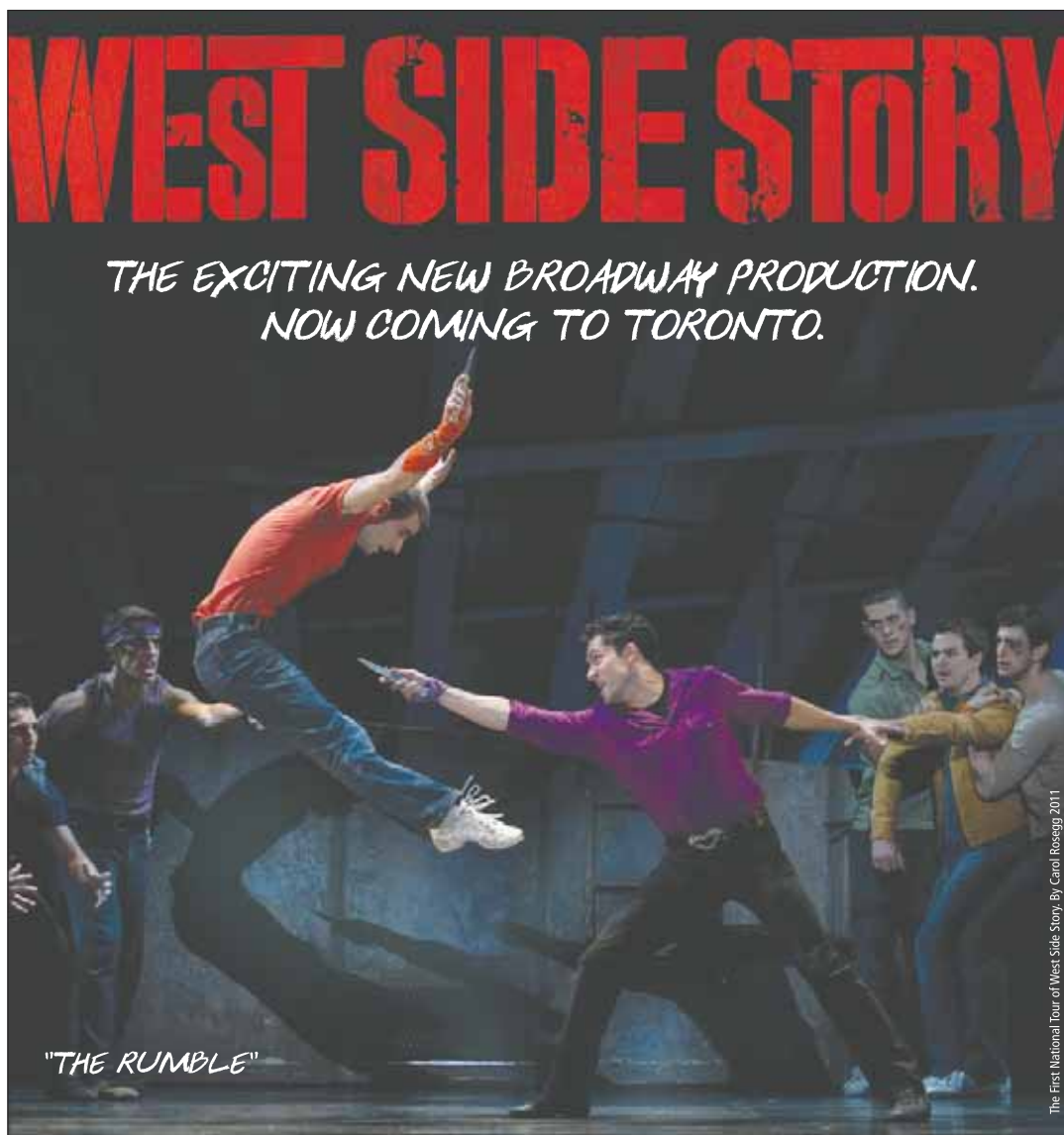
And because they're twins, they're so close. Now I think he knows that it's not a healthy situation but there's no alternative.

He doesn't know or want to know how to not be with her.

On morality:

"I think Clas is borderline psychopathic. He will do anything; he has a disturbing lack of morals. And Jaime has strong morals. We might not share his morals but he has really strong morality."

Nikolaj Coster-Waldau on the different characters he plays in *Headhunters* and *Game of Thrones*.

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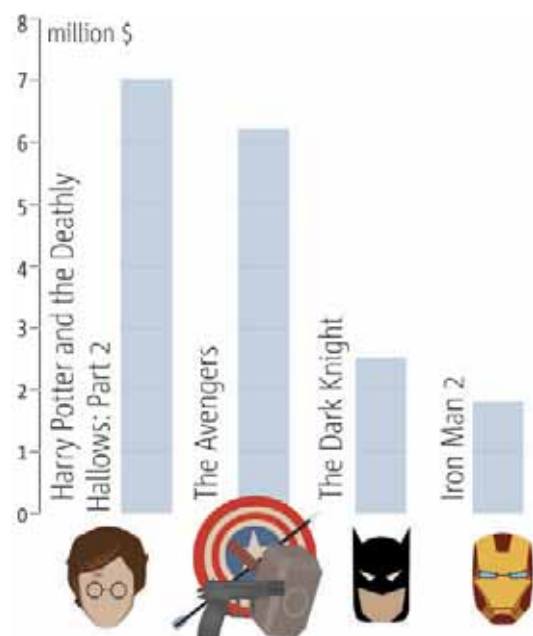
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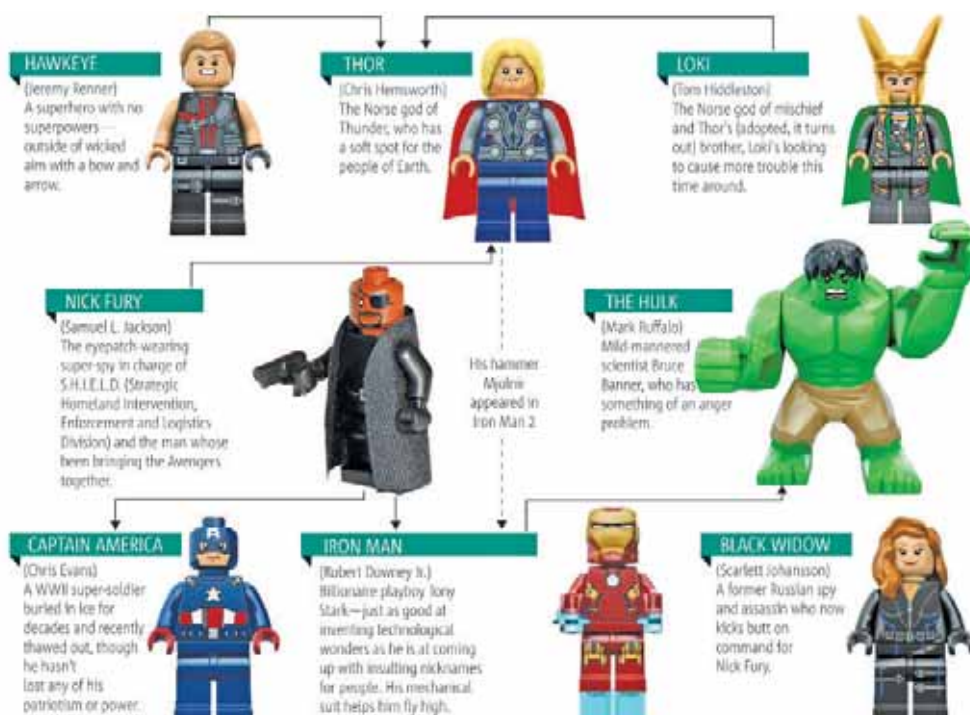
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How it ranks. The Avengers opened last week in Australia. Here's how it performed compared to other blockbusters — a good sign it will be a hit



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Adrien Brody is an emotionally arrested substitute teacher in *Detachment*. HANDOUT

Adrien Brody goes back to school

Detachment. Academy Award winning actor tries to inspire youth in his latest role as a public school teacher

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Oscar-winner Adrien Brody has been particularly choosy when it comes to roles lately, popping up in very few movies in recent years — in fact, in 2011, he didn't do much besides his cameo as Salvador Dali in *Midnight in Paris*. That level of pickiness makes him a good match for the equally choosy writer-director Tony Kaye, whose *Detachment* — in which Brody stars — is only his third feature film, after *American History X* and *Black Water Transit*. The son of a teacher, Brody felt a special connection to the project, in which he plays an emotionally arrested long-term substitute teacher facing a gruelling assignment at a public high school.

What initially drew you to the project, to working with Tony?

Well, I look to find material that has some social relevance, that has something greater than being merely entertaining, and this film touches on such important matters that affect all of us and our future, and the importance educating young people and giving them a sense of guidance that I feel so many young people are missing. And I also know how valuable that is, just knowing my parents have provided the right influence on me. I surely would've turned out

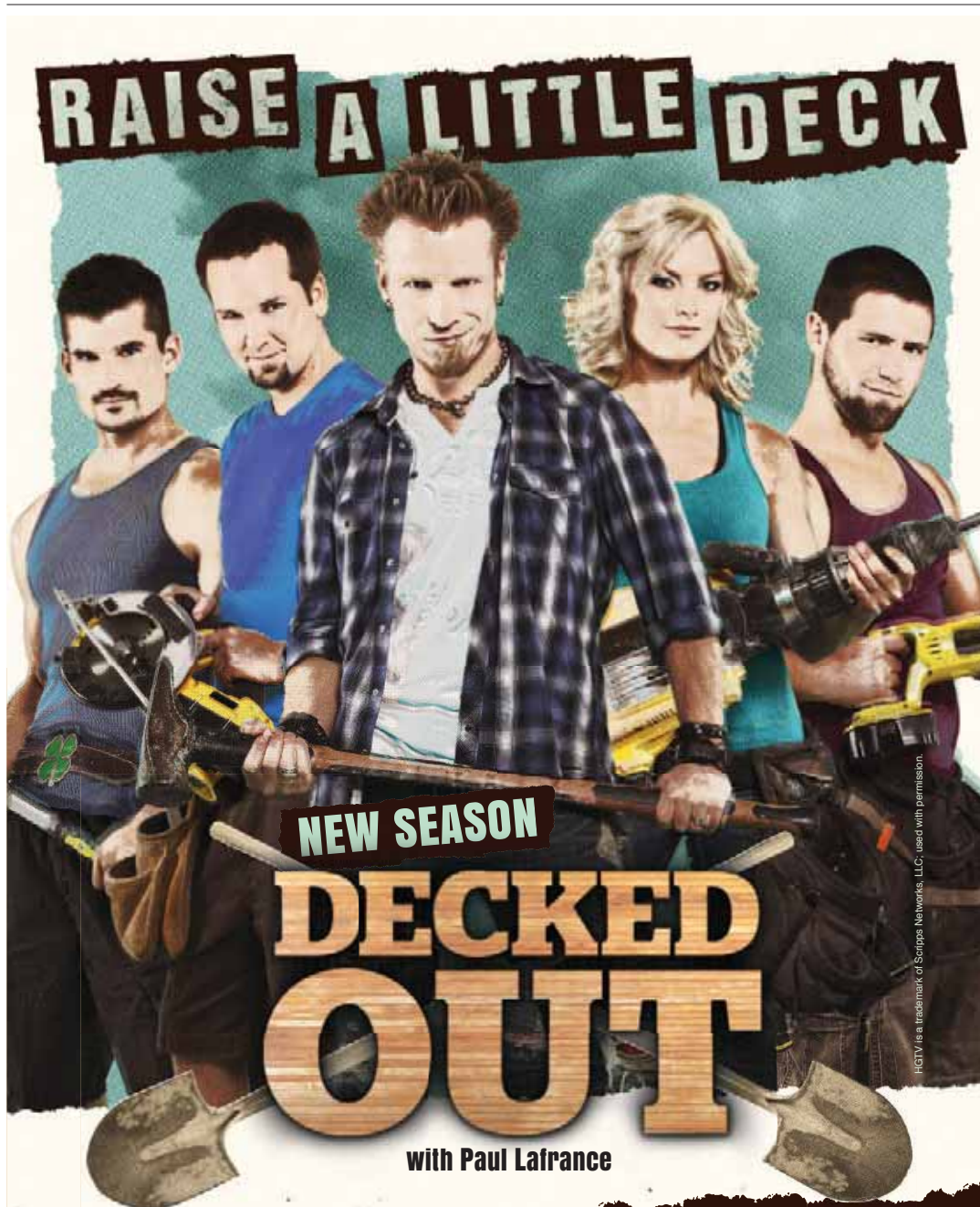
very differently without that. I also went to public school, and I know that it's filled with challenges for both the teachers and the administrators and the students. I think it's just a complex, relevant story, and I wanted to be a part of it.

It does seem an important story to tell, the perspective of the teachers.

The film also to me is a reminder that you can't have that expectation of your teachers to just make everything right, and that it has to begin in the home. The education and the guidance and the sense of a greater understanding of the world around us has to come from home.

Did you have any teachers in your own life that had an impact on you?

Well sure. A lot of young kids don't have a tremendous amount of patience, and some teachers really have a knack for getting your attention and keeping it. But unfortunately many don't. I have a few that were real gems, and the greatest of them all would be my father. Even though he wasn't my teacher in a school, my father was the one who really instilled the most in me. I know that his students loved him. He has a profound patience and generous nature and thoughtfulness. At a very young age he really made me understand accountability and taught me a great deal about history and the world around me, so I'm grateful for that.



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Couric to launch web show for ABC News and Yahoo

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Katie Couric is launching a weekly Web series for Yahoo News and ABC News about health and lifestyle issues.

The series Katie's Take will premiere Tuesday on Yahoo. Yahoo Inc. formally unveiled the show Wednesday at a presentation to advertisers in New York.

Couric left the anchor chair of the CBS Evening News last year. She is currently a special correspondent for ABC News. She is launching a syndicated talk show, *Katie*, this September.

In a statement, Couric said she is "happy to have found a place in the digital world where I can cut through fads and trends."

Last year Yahoo and ABC partnered to share content. Articles from Yahoo News appear on ABC News' website, and videos from ABC News go to the Internet portal.

Yahoo also announced several more original online ser-



Katie Couric. GETTY IMAGES

ies in its continuing push to offer hours of premium video content. Matthew Weaver and Chris D'Arienzo, the creators of the musical *Rock of Ages*, are developing a musical comedy with a working title of *Dancing With Myself*.

The company is also developing a talk show with Jeff

Goldblum planned for July, a series titled Stunt Nation with host Sal Masekela, and four other shows will be targeted at male audiences. Yahoo's most highly anticipated series, the animated sci-fi Electric City, produced by Tom Hanks, is to debut later this year.

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Keeping up with E! reality TV

Could it be that a Kardashian is actually putting her family's happiness over her reality

TV ambitions? The answer is: maybe! But don't tell her publicist that!

According to a source at Us Weekly, "Khloe has pulled the plug," on her E! spin-off series Khloe and Lamar. The reason, according to TMZ.com, is that Lamar Odom wants to focus on reviving his faltering NBA career.

Back from Dallas, where Odom was released from the Mavericks last month, the couple "have decided he should train all off-season," the

insider tells Us Weekly. "And she's exhausted from filming!"

However, Kardashian's publicist tells Entertainment Weekly: "The show has not been cancelled. It will depend on their schedules as Lamar's basketball schedule is a priority."

If the series doesn't return for a third season, at least there's another reality TV show about the trials and tribulations of young married life hitting the network. Married to Jonas, starring Kevin

Jonas and his wife, Danielle, will follow the couple as they navigate their daily lives at their New Jersey home while juggling his recording and touring schedule and various sets of in-laws.

Here's an idea, E!: Have Khloe and Lamar move next door to the Jonases, get Lamar on the (now Brooklyn) Nets with Kim Kardashian ex Kris Humphries, and create the most beautiful reality TV mash-up in the world. You can thank (and pay) me later.

Were M.J. and Whitney an item?



Michael Jackson's former bodyguard claims the late King of Pop had an affair with Whitney Houston in 1991 — and even wanted to marry the late singer.

"Whitney practically moved into Michael's ranch and they had a fling like any other young couple," Matt Fiddes tells the Sun. "Michael said later he had always hoped the relationship had

gone further, and I know he dreamed of marrying her."

Fiddes says the pair had one more run-in at a 2001 tribute concert for Jackson. "They were both a mess, to be honest," Fiddes says of the reunion.

"They shared what would be their final hugs and Michael begged Whitney to get off the drugs that were destroying her life."

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A nightclub patron accused Lindsay Lohan of throwing a drink in her face? Can't be true! Lindsay would never let any booze go to waste.



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Two Avengers just came up to my kids on the street and took \$50. This movie is going to make a fortune.

Go figure: Decker doesn't dig bearing her bod

Brooklyn Decker says her career as a swimsuit model — gracing the cover of Sports Illustrated multiple times — wasn't the most natural of choices for her.

"The biggest thing is finding that balance between masculine and feminine.

Because I'm such a tomboy, I hate showing off my body," the model-turned-actress tells FabSugar.

"(My stylist) is always like 'you have to show your figure.'"



Brooklyn Decker

McDreamy to the McRescue

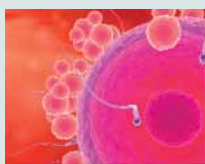
Grey's Anatomy star Patrick Dempsey played a real-life hero when a teenager's car flipped over onto the yard of his Malibu home, according to People magazine. Dempsey used a crowbar and fire extinguisher to pull the 17-year-old driver, Weston Masset, to safety. "I was scared for my life. I was upside down," Masset says. "He was there for me. It would have been a lot worse without him." The teen admits he was a bit caught off-guard when he was pulled from the car and saw Dempsey standing over him. Masset remembers asking, "Are you famous?"



Patrick Dempsey
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to which Dempsey reportedly replied, "Yeah, I'm a doctor."

Treatments and options



IUI (Intrauterine Insemination)

This is the act of placing sperm into a woman's uterus during ovulation. Lower tech, less intrusive methods such as IUI are becoming increasingly popular but their success rate depends entirely on the initial cause of the infertility.



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Adoption

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One expert thinks people need to talk about their reproductive system the way they do about sex. HANDOUT

Open up on infertility

It's time to talk. Experts are trying to get people to discuss not being able to have children

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A house. A car. A career. A spouse and 2.5 kids. Should you choose to live conventionally, you probably spend your days in pursuit of all of the above. Most are within your control. If you want a car, you save and buy one. If you want a spouse, you have a drink, and then meet friends of friends. But the 2.5 kids — what happens if your body can't produce a child?

Infertility is something you don't hear a lot about among people in their 20s, but experts are aiming to get more people accepting of the issue.

Barbara Collura, Executive Director of RESOLVE: The U.S. National Infertility Association, says there's a stigma and shame attached to infertility that's prevented it from being discussed properly.

"Anyone in the AIDS world will tell you how 25 years ago people thought it was contagious — now, everyone speaks about it," she says. "But with infertility, we haven't gotten to the point where people are ready to open up."

Until society normalizes infertility, don't expect to see people running marathons shouting "Woo hoo! I'm infertile!"

So why is infertility such a sensitive subject? One reason is because it revolves around sex.

"The moment someone finds out they can't reproduce, they feel let down by their body. The way they see it is that it's not performing the way it 'should' be," explains Collura,

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who also believes that getting people talking about their reproductive system the way they do about sex is the only way to increase public awareness.

Giuliana Rancic, the 37-year-old E! News presenter and reality star, is one of the rare celebrities to have opened up about her battle with infertility. Rancic and husband Bill's journey into parenthood and attempt at IVF (in vitro fertilization) was aired on their reality TV show *Giuliana and Bill* and watched by millions of people worldwide.

The show took a dramatic twist when Rancic was diagnosed with breast cancer, further jeopardizing her chances of becoming a mother.

"For some of the women in their twenties and thirties watching Rancic's show, it was the first they had ever heard about infertility—and the only place they had heard about it," says Collura. "This is not where we want people to be getting this sort of information, but at least they're getting something."

So where else should those afflicted go for information? Facebook, Twitter, blogs like *The Infertility Voice*, whose founder wrote the column on this page. Social media often allows you to be anonymous.

"You could be in the place where you are willing to share your story but not your name," says Collura.

Either way, it's the conversation that's important.

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Rubik's Cube

40 years of frustration

It's a puzzle, a metaphor and a hit toy — and in a couple of years, the Rubik's Cube will be a museum exhibition in celebration of its 40th anniversary. The toy's creator, Erno Rubik, 67, was being honoured at a gala at the Liberty Science Center in Jersey City. He has travelled from his native Budapest, to help develop the exhibit, which will open in April 2014. The exhibit is scheduled to travel for seven years to design science museums around the world. Rubik was an architect teaching a class at the Budapest College of Applied Arts in 1974 when he decided to build a cube to teach students about 3D space. He soon realized it could become a hit toy when students and fellow teachers couldn't put it down.

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The more you do this, the more you'll experience the joy of being fully, wonderfully alive.

Start now.

If you wait for a great moment to arrive before you begin — you've waited too long. In order to fully savour the spectacular events of life, you must enjoy the ordinary events first.

Noticing, focusing on, and savoring the ordinary moments will make life fuller, richer, and delicious.

NATASHA DERN IS THE HOST OF THE BUDDHA LOUNGE RADIO SHOW.

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Allergy issues.

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This spring, Fiona Stryjak-Smith is stuck indoors because of a severe allergy to tree pollen.

Her typical allergic reaction goes like this: it starts with itchy hives on her skin, then she gets flushing on her face and neck, then tingling on her tongue, followed by coughing. Finally, her airway in her throat closes, her blood pressure drops and she passes out. "I've had 94 anaphylactic reactions in the last four years," she tells Metro.

Stryjak-Smith is a 42-year-old mother of two living in Winnipeg. Besides tree pollen she's also allergic to wasps, latex, dust, bees and some metals. She has a rare disease called mastocytosis, which



Allergies are no laughing matter. ISTOCK PHOTO

sends her allergic reactions into hyperdrive.

She tells her story to Metro to help remind Canadians that if they have allergies, membership in MedicAlert can save their lives. Stryjak-Smith wears a bracelet that tells first responders her situation and links them to a 24/7 hotline where they can

get her full medical profile. Paramedics need to know, for instance, that touching her with latex gloves could kill her.

"It has saved me a number of times," she says. "It tells first responders my situation. Sometimes I'm passed out and cannot speak for myself."

Anyone with an allergy,

By the numbers

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- **Numbers.** More than 1.1 million Canadians are members of MedicAlert
- **Allergies.** Over 600,000 of these members have allergies
- **Threats.** More than 50,000 of these are severe, life-threatening allergies.
- **Common.** The most common life-threatening allergies are to penicillin, sulfa and peanuts

anaphylaxis or asthma can benefit from MedicAlert membership, says Robert Ridge, president and CEO of the Canadian MedicAlert Foundation.

The fee is \$24 to join, plus \$5 a month and the cost of a MedicAlert ID (bracelet, cuff, watch or necklace.)

"Be safe people," agrees Stryjak-Smith.

Best Health

The truth about sponges



BEST HEALTH MINUTE
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In each issue of Best Health magazine we look into whether product claims are valid, from beauty products to household cleaners. In the May issue, with spring cleaning in mind, we took a look at sponges. Some are labelled antimicrobial or antibacterial. Does that mean they kill germs? We asked Dr. Donald Low, chief microbiologist at Mount Sinai Hospital in Toronto and spokesperson for the Healthy and Hygiene Council of Canada.

"We don't know how effective the antimicrobials in these sponges may be," says Low. "Some bacteria are resistant even to the most powerful drugs. The sponge may not stop the growth of illness-causing bacteria like salmonella. Indeed, when you read these products' labels, they don't claim to do that. They do claim to sop the growth of odour-causing bacteria."

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And portions are plenti-

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4. Brush pastry with butter and sprinkle with cinna-

mon mixture. Bake in 200 C (400 F) oven for 12 mins or until pastry is golden.

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Tips to ensure a 'child-free' wedding



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Hello Charles the Butler! I'm really hoping you can help. My niece & her fiancé are trying to figure out how to create their wedding invitations, making the "no children" very clear. I was thinking that if the invitation is addressed to only "John and Jane" with the reply card also only having their names on it, that might suffice. They are worried that some in the family will still not get it. Do they write "adults only please" right on the invitation? We appreciate any advice that you can provide. Thank you, Sydney

Hello Sydney,

I just dealt with this question for my dear friend Julie who is getting married in July.

1. You are correct in that the envelope should only be addressed with the names of who is invited to the event.

2. The reply card should be left blank for people to write the names in them-

selves. Why? Because this will help as most people thinking of bringing their children would likely write their names too, so that they are included for dinner, and this method will allow you to catch this early.

3. Finally make sure all family members like parents, brothers, sisters, wedding party, etc., know you want an adult-only party and so they can bring this up in conversation with those who have children. They can say, "So have you organized your child care for the wedding yet?" or "I bet you're looking forward to a nice adult evening at John and Jane's wedding!"

I believe this is the best approach.

Now what to do if someone shows up with children in tow despite all of the above?

As grumpy and disappointed as you have every right to be, remember that these are your guests — just be gracious and get through the event. Starting a fight or mentioning how this is "adults only" will inflame the situation and cause a scene, which is the last thing you want!

Good Luck to the couple.



Keeping your wedding an adults-only event can make the invitation process a little tricky. iStock

Higher interest rates are an opportunity to tackle debt

Strategy. If you're dealing with debt, here's how to prepare yourself for the Bank of Canada's looming interest rate hikes



YOUR MONEY
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What every consumer has been waiting for — and either dreading or celebrating — has finally happened. Mark Carney, Governor of the Bank of Canada, has flung open the door on interest rate hikes.

A rate increase, on its own, would also strengthen the loonie. Just witness what happened last week when Carney simply ruminated on higher interest rates — the loonie promptly shot up a cent.

And that's not desirable for most Canadian businesses, especially manufacturers.

However, Carney is clearly thinking about some kind of intervention such as quanti-

tative easing (a.k.a. printing money) to devalue the dollar, allowing him to boost rates and cool the ferocious record borrowing of Canadians.

Since we might face a raise in rates as early as the fall and almost certainly by the end of the year, everyone with debt should embark on a protective strategy.

Live the increase

Among the most vulnerable to the interest rate hikes are those with large personal or home equity lines of credit. Those rates will rise in tandem with the prime rate.

Use an online calculator and add half to three-quarters of a per cent to your LOC rate. Then pay the higher monthly amount.

If rates don't rise you're ahead. If they do you are prepared. And if you can't make the extra payment you need to re-visit your budget and find something to cut.

Boost e-savings

In a higher interest rate environment, the last thing you want to face is an unexpected expense and be forced to pay it with a credit card. Emer-

Are you prepared?

- Thirty-three per cent of Canadians have one to three months of living expenses saved for emergencies, according to a 2012 TD Canada Trust survey.

gency savings are critical, especially for families. Even setting aside an extra \$50 each month will help.

Delay spending

Whether it's a new smartphone, e-reader, car or wardrobe you hanker for, put off all unnecessary expenses — especially if you have non-mortgage debt hanging around. It's easy to cloak our wants as needs, so delay spending on those non-essential items.

Consider your mortgage

Rising rates send many homeowners scurrying to switch from variable to fixed.

But there's no hurry. Rates have to jump by the difference between variable and fixed before you are actually paying more.

Your mortgage

Give me a break on my mortgage break fee!



FUN AND FRUGAL
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I recently sold my house and have decided to get a new mortgage through a mortgage broker rather than my bank.

So, I met with my bank last week to discuss the transaction and learned that the cost to break my existing mortgage is nearly \$5,000!

Hogwash! For \$5,000 I could take a three-week European vacation or contribute the annual maximum amount to my tax-free savings account.

Mortgage prepayment charges are the costs to "break" your existing fixed-rate mortgage contract.

They exist because the lender has to borrow the funds needed for the mortgage from the market. When a borrower "breaks" a mortgage, the lender is charged a "breakage cost," which is passed along to the borrower.



Switching lenders only makes sense when a borrower can save money. iStock Images

it's worth switching lenders, I've followed these steps:

1) Take emotion out of the equation and let math dictate the decision.

2) Evaluate whether the new lender has a more attractive interest rate, term and flexible repayment schedule (such as accelerated payments, double-up payments or annual lump sum contributions up to 10 per cent).

3) Using a free online banking mortgage calculator (available at any major bank or mortgage website), calculate the break-even rate needed to make it worth switching.

4) Confirm with the existing lender, by phone or in person, the exact fee. Present this information to the new lender and begin negotiating for either the fee to be lowered or to have the new lender pick up part of the tab.

Switching mortgage lenders only makes financial sense when a borrower can save money. In my case, I'll save thousands of dollars (over the lifetime of the new mortgage) by making the switch, but I still have more negotiating to do before I can pull the pin on my existing mortgage.

er to offset the cost that the lender is charged.

Prepayment charges are typically calculated based on the greater of three months interest penalty or interest for the remainder of the term on the amount prepaid calculated using the interest rate differential.

The interest rate differential is the difference in the interest payable on your existing mortgage versus that payable on a replacement mortgage, calculated on the time remaining in your existing mortgage term.

To determine whether

Giving the mind a makeover

The bendable brain.

This author and educator is on a passionate crusade to change the way we think about thinking

CAROLYN MORRIS

Metro World News in Toronto

She was a graduate student in school psychology, but couldn't tell the time on an analogue clock. She couldn't understand most conversations in real time, having to play them back in her mind repeatedly to make any sense of them.

She didn't get jokes, or comprehend symbolism, metaphors or cause-and-effect. To get through school, she got to know the library security guards' patrol schedules so she could dodge them by hiding out in the washroom and then spend entire nights reading and re-reading her coursework. She'd relied on memorization her entire life.

This was until Barbara Arrowsmith-Young changed her brain.

"All of a sudden, the world opened up," she says. "It's profound. The brain is doing what it's supposed to be doing in that moment to grasp what's being said."

In all her reading and re-reading, Arrowsmith-Young had stumbled upon the work of a Russian psychologist named Aleksandr Romanovich Luria. In a book about a patient who'd been shot in the head during the Second World War, which included journal entries by the patient, Arrowsmith-Young



Barbara Arrowsmith-Young, creator of the Arrowsmith Program.

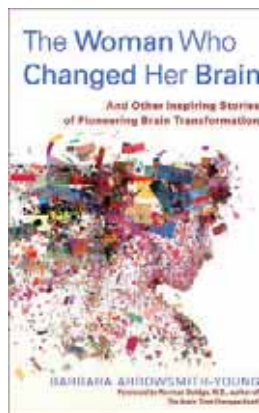
recognized herself. His descriptions of living in a fog, in which relationships like those between the two hands on a clock confounded him, mirrored her own experience. While she'd always had her "mental block," as a teacher had once described it, Luria's patient had a physical hole in his brain — in the left occipito-parietal region, to be precise. She wondered whether this area was responsible for her deficiency. Soon after, she read about an American psychologist, Mark Rosenzweig, who showed that rats' brains can change as a result of stimulation.

"If a rat can change his brain,' I thought, 'perhaps a human can do the same,'" she writes in her book, *The Woman Who Changed Her Brain*, released today.

She developed an exercise that forced her to interpret the hands of an analogue clock. In-

stead of compensating for her weaknesses by using a digital clock, say, she forced herself to do what felt impossible — actually understand what the hands symbolized.

And it worked. Not only did



A challenge to change

"In most traditional special education programs, the premise is that the learner's fixed. The learner is the learner, with their strengths and weaknesses. The premise of our work is, we're going to take this learner, and we're going to change the capacity of the learner."

Barbara Arrowsmith-Young

she figure out how to tell time, but suddenly she started understanding conversations as they were taking place, and making sense of the conceptual ideas in her books that used to elude her.

Arrowsmith-Young went on to locate 19 brain area deficits, many of which she struggled with herself. She developed exercises to strengthen them, and founded the Arrowsmith Program at a private school in Toronto that tailor cognitive exercises to children with learning disabilities.

This was in the late 1970s and early 1980s, before neuroplasticity — the idea that the brain is elastic — became a widely accepted reality. This was a time when one's intelligence was generally thought to be fixed for life.

But even now, while neuroscience has caught on to the fact that we can change our brains, many of the programs offered to help children with learning disabilities are lagging behind.

"In most traditional special education programs, the premise is that the learner's fixed. The learner is the learner, with their strengths and weaknesses," says Arrowsmith-Young. "The premise of our work is, we're going to take this learner, and we're going to change the capacity of the learner."

If you walk into a classroom at Toronto's Arrowsmith school, you'll find kids puzzling over computer screens depicting complex, multi-handed

clocks, in a variation of Arrowsmith-Young's original cognitive exercise for her "symbol relations" deficit. Rows of students wearing eye-patches over their left eyes and copying line after line of Chinese or Arabic characters are trying to repair their "motor symbol sequencing" deficit. And others sporting earphones and staring into space are working to improve their "memory for information" weakness.

"School's a place where you go to learn," Arrowsmith-Young describes her vision. "And to sharpen your brain."

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NBA playoffs

"I don't think I've ever been part of a game like that ... but it's just one game."

Los Angeles forward Blake Griffin on Monday after his Clippers finished Game 1 of their first-round playoff series in Memphis on Sunday night with a 28-3 run to top the Grizzlies 99-98. Memphis had a 24-point advantage with 9:13 left in the fourth quarter before the Clippers comeback began.

"They got more aggressive defensively, and we took some bad shots and we made some turn-overs."

Grizzlies coach Lionel Hollins.

On the web



After a first-round flame-out last season, San Antonio point guard Tony Parker told journalists in his native France in the summer that the Spurs' aging dynasty appeared to be coming to an end. Now with Parker taking over the offensive catalyst role from Tim Duncan, there is renewed hope in San Antonio. Scan the code for the story.



Rangers starter Yu Darvish pitches against the Blue Jays at Rogers Centre on Monday. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Darvish leaves Jays' dizzy in the dome

MLB. Japanese right-hander strikes out nine in seven innings in first visit to Toronto

It was a much anticipated, somewhat satisfying Yu Darvish debut for baseball fans at the Rogers Centre on Monday, the ones looking to evaluate the highly-touted Texas Rangers rookie for themselves.

Judging from what they saw, the 25-year-old right-hander from Japan is a pretty good pitcher, the real deal.

But for those simply looking for Jays wins, it was just another frustrating night.

Many fans had waited eagerly all winter and spring to have a look at what it was they

had missed out on over the winter as Rogers ownership, once genuinely interested, had backed away from Darvish during the unique posting process required to land Japanese players under contract in their home land.

The six-foot-five sports rock star did not disappoint. Darvish struck out the first two Blue Jays he faced and remained impressive throughout his seven innings, allowing just four hits and a run, striking out nine. His record remains unblemished at 4-0, as the Rangers beat the Jays 4-1 in the opener of a three-game series.

It should have been advancing Jays. The Rangers were a weary bunch, arriving at the team hotel at 5:30 a.m. on Monday, but Darvish and Tuesday's starter Neftali Feliz had flown

Monday's game

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Edwin Encarnacion's home run was his team-leading eighth. It was the fourth straight game the DH has gone deep.

when Encarnacion exacted a measure of revenge slamming a home run to left.

Darvish's mound opponent Kyle Drabek was good, but not good enough. The Rangers scored in the second on a pair of doubles by Adrian Beltre and Nelson Cruz. They added a second run in the third on an RBI double by Elvis Andrus. Back-to-back homers by Mitch Moreland and Craig Gentry against Evan Crawford in the seventh rounded out the Ranger scoring. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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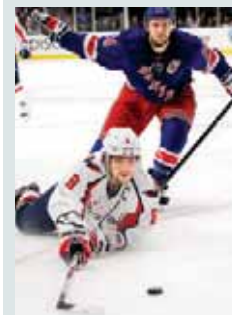
Ovechkin great late as Caps even up series in N.Y.

Alex Ovechkin's power-play goal with 7:27 remaining snapped a tie and gave the Washington Capitals a 3-2 victory over the New York Rangers that squared the Eastern Conference semifinal series 1-1 on Monday night.

Just under six minutes after Ryan Callahan got the Rangers even with a power-play goal, Ovechkin put the Capitals ahead for good after they squandered a 2-0 lead.

Mike Knuble and Jason Chimera scored first-period goals for the Capitals, who will host the next two games of the series. Washington is trying to repeat its first-round feat when it lost the series opener but rallied to beat Boston in seven games. The Capitals have earned four of their five wins in this post-season on the road.

Brad Richards had a goal and assist, and defenceman Michael Del Zotto had two assists for the top-seeded Rangers, who got forward Brian Boyle back from a three-game injury absence but couldn't turn it into a commanding lead in the series. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Washington's Alexander Ovechkin falls in front of Ryan Callahan on Monday in New York. FRANK FRANKLIN II/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Chris Bosh, left, and LeBron James react to a basket Monday in Miami.

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Heat extend the Knicks' losing streak

NBA. New York centre Stoudemire expected to need stitches on his left hand

As the Miami Heat expected, the New York Knicks were much improved in Game 2. Better, yes — but not good enough.

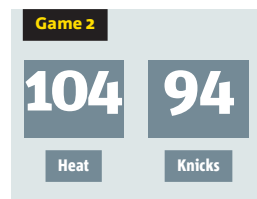
Dwyane Wade scored 25 points, Chris Bosh added 21 and the Heat beat New York 104-94 on Monday night, sending the Knicks to an NBA-record-tying 12th straight post-season loss.

Making matters worse for the Knicks: Amare Stoudemire cut his left hand in a post-game incident. The Knicks did not immediately release any details on how it happened, and coach Mike Woodson — who saw the cut — declined to offer specifics.

"Let's talk about the game," Woodson said. "Thank you."

Miami-Dade paramedics, who staff every game at the arena, were seen leaving the Knicks locker room after the game. The Knicks said "doctors and paramedics" were working on Stoudemire, who was expected to need stitches.

LeBron James finished with



19 points, nine assists and seven rebounds for the Heat, who lead the Eastern Conference first-round series 2-0.

"Every game we try to find our shooters, get them comfortable in the offence and once they catch them, they can let it fly," James said. "It was concerted effort tonight to get them the ball and move the ball from one side to the other."

Carmelo Anthony scored 30 points on 12-for-26 shooting for New York, which got 18 points from Stoudemire and 13 apiece from Tyson Chandler and J.R. Smith. The only other team to lose 12 straight playoff games is the Memphis Grizzlies, who dropped their first dozen post-season contests from 2004 through 2006.

New York's last post-season win came April 29, 2001. The Knicks get another chance to snap the drought Thursday when they host Game 3.

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English Premier League



"Absolutely buzzing.... We've been waiting for this moment."

Vincent Kompany, whose thumping header may well have tilted the balance of football power in Manchester. Kompany's goal in first-half stoppage time was enough to give Manchester City a 1-0 win over Manchester United on Monday to overtake its rival atop the Premier League with just two games remaining.

MLB

Young banned after hate-crime arrest in New York

Delmon Young was suspended by Major League Baseball on Monday for seven days without pay following his arrest on a hate crime harassment charge last week in New York.

The commissioner's office said the suspension is retroactive to Friday, when Young was arrested after a



Delmon Young. GETTY IMAGES FILE

late-night tussle at his hotel during which police say he yelled anti-Semitic epithets.

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NHL awards

League announces trio of top coaches

The Ottawa Senators' Paul MacLean, St. Louis Blues' Ken Hitchcock and New York Rangers' John Tortorella were named nominees for the Jack Adams Award on Monday.

The award is handed out to the head coach who has "contributed most to his team's success."

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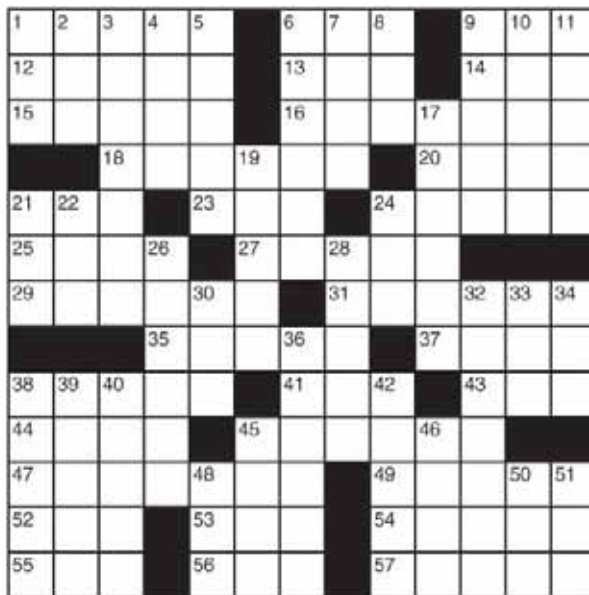
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Across

- 1 Incubator noises
- 6 Diner lunch order
- 9 Links stat
- 12 Characteristic
- 13 Actor Stephen
- 14 Feast-famine link
- 15 Match
- 16 Beforehand
- 18 Man with all the answers?
- 20 Initial stake
- 21 La-la lead-in
- 23 Columnist Smith
- 24 Michaelmas day
- 25 "— Fiction"
- 27 Dweebs
- 29 Exasperating
- 31 Farewells
- 35 Swag-bag item
- 37 Facility
- 38 Different
- 41 Common Mkt.
- 43 Uncultured
- 44 "Arrivederci"
- 45 Jackson or Johnson
- 47 Frank
- 49 In reserve
- 52 Schedule abbr.
- 53 Ms. Farrow
- 54 Cart
- 55 Aye canceler
- 56 Frivolous one of song

Down

- 1 Sch. org.
- 2 Work unit
- 3 Mundane
- 4 See 5-Down
- 5 With 4-Down, Atlantic City attraction
- 6 Light wind
- 7 Secrecy thwarter
- 8 Pitch
- 9 Purpose
- 10 Mountain crest
- 11 Harder to find
- 17 TV pooch
- 19 Game of chance
- 21 Choose
- 22 "— Town"
- 24 Toss in
- 26 Dupe
- 28 Shone in beams
- 30 Postal creed word
- 32 Some insects
- 33 NAFTA signatory
- 34 Ply a needle
- 36 Re canines, etc.
- 38 "Caribbean Queen" singer Billy
- 39 Coronet
- 40 Magician Houdini
- 42 Go on all fours
- 45 Largest of the seven



46 Birthright barterer
48 North Sea feeder
50 Speck

51 Navy rank (Abbr.)

Yesterday's Crossword



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V K N R D F X K R N O T P I Y G
B N J J E Y J Z I V K Y N P T
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Y E B Y P G ? Z T P G T J I N G H T P I.

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- ♈ Aries | March 21 - April 20.**
You have something worth saying, something the world needs to hear, and it would be a crime to stay silent.
- ♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21.**
You need to be able to adapt when your plans don't turn out the way you expected.
- ♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20.**
Your mind is super sharp right now and you will find it easy enough to outsmart your rivals.
- ♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22.**
Someone close will be rather emotional today. Make it your task to calm them down and help them see the situation in a more logical light.
- ♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22.**
You

- don't have to change your views and opinions just because everyone else seems to believe something.
- ♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22.**
You will come up with an excellent idea today, the kind of idea that can make you a lot of money.
- ♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.**
If there is something you need to say that probably won't be welcomed by family and friends you must say it immediately.
- ♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.**
A friend or relative will offer you some advice today and if you are wise you will give what they say some serious thought.
- ♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec.**

- ♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan. 20.**
News from afar will cheer you up immensely today.
- ♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb. 18.**
You will have a brilliant idea over the next 24 hours, but is it the sort of idea the world is ready for?
- ♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20.**
So you got something wrong — so what? There may be plenty of room for improvement in your life but no way does that mean you are a failure. It means you've got space to grow to even greater heights.
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